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June 18, 1974

PATHOLOGY

An # 27

Dr. Joseph A. Jachimczyk 209 Court House Building Houston, Texas 77001

Dear Joe:

Enclosed is all of the tissue that I have left from the body of Billy Lawrence, the first of my series of four examined in San Augustine last August tenth, and the only one that did not come through your office. Don Lambright, Harris County Assistant District Attorney, asked that I send it to you for toxicologic analysis that you could testify to it in San Antonio next month. Many thanks.

Sincerely.

Jack Pruitt, M. D.

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(Series No. 20) (Not IN 140 SERIES)

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Autopsy Prosector: Jack Pruitt, M. D.

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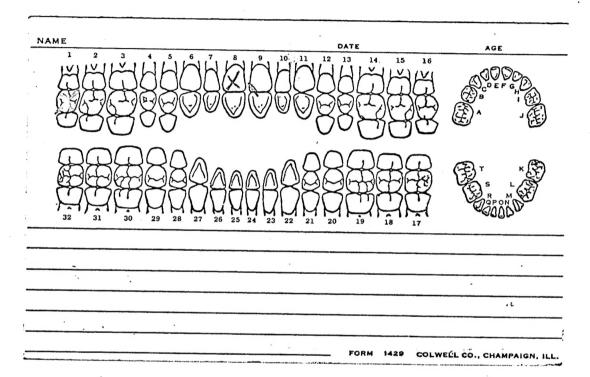
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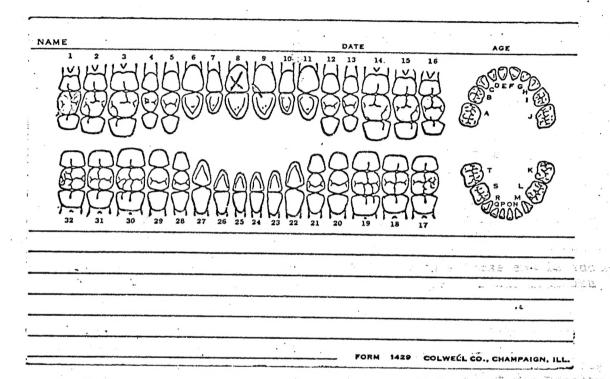
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# OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER OF HARRIS COUNTY

HARRIS COUNTY COURT HOUSE HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002

#### AUTOPSY REPORT

Case 73 - 3378

August 15, 1973

PATHOLOGICAL DIAGNOSIS ON THE BODY

OF

Unknown #22

Asphyxia due to strangulation.

#### OPINION

It is our opinion that the decedent, Unknown #22, came to his death as a result of asphyxia due to strangulation -Homicide.

Joseph A. Jachimozyk, M.D., J.D. Chief Medical Examiner

(See Companion Cases 73 - 3376 and 73 - 3377)

### POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION ON THE BODY OF

#### UNKNOWN #22

HISTORY: This unidentified white male body was found at approximately the same time that three other bodies were uncovered during the evening of August 9, 1973, near Lake Sam Rayburn in San Augustine County, Texas. One was identified as William Ray Lawrence. His body was not sent to the Harris County Morgue. The remaining three were sent to this morgue. (73-3376, 73-3377 and 73-3378.) The three bodies arrived at the Harris County Morgue at 1:00 p.m. on August 11, 1973.

AUTOPSY: The autopsy was performed by Chief Medical Examiner Joseph A. Jachimczyk, M.D., assisted by Assistant Medical Examiners Ethel E. Erickson, M.D., and G. Sheldon Green, M.D., and Dr. Paul G. Stimson, beginning at 10:15 a.m. on August 15, 1973, in the Harris County Morgue.

EXTERNAL APPEARANCE: The decomposing body was that of a young Caucasian male, measuring approximately 68 inches in length and weighing a residual 75 pounds, submitted in a crashbag. The body was covered with white embalmer's preservative powder. The head was covered with fairly short dark brown hair, measuring up to 3-1/2 inches in length. The body had been previously autopsied. There were no clothes.

Complete postmortem X-rays of the body did not reveal the presence of any radiopaque objects.

INTERNAL EXAMINATION: Section: The body was opened through the previously made Y-shaped prior autopsy incision. The abdominal and thoracic viscera were re-examined. The body cavities emitted an unpleasant aroma.

HEART: The heart was decomposing.

LUNGS: The lungs together weighed 450 grams. They were collapsed and decomposing.

LIVER: The liver weighed 450 grams. The liver was mostly autolyzed. The gallbladder was empty.

Pancreas and Adrenals: The pancreas and adrenals were auto-

SPLEEN: The spleen weighed 50 grams. There was postmortem decomposition.

GENITOURINARY TRACT: The kidneys together weighed 50 grams. They were autolyzed.

GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT: Most of the intestines were eaten away with lime. The stomach was empty.

BONES: There was a complete postmortem separation of the vertebral column between the 1st and 2nd lumbar vertebrae. The left femur was disarticulated from its acetabulum. A good portion of the soft tissue was absent. There was postmortem absence over the right and left elbows. The distal epiphysis of the left ulna was not fused.

MECK: The hyoid bone was intact. There was hemorrhage into the tissue surrounding the hyoid bone. There was periesophageal hemorrhage. There was hemorrhagic discoloration of the larynx and first portion of the trachea on the inner surface. The thyroid cartilage was intact, but there was hemorrhage around the thyroid cartilage.

HEAD: The scalp was reflected in the usual coronal fashion. The calvarium was not remarkable. There were no skull fractures. The brain was mushy. The residual brain weighed 750 grams.

Following the autopsy, a second set of X-rays was made in order to attempt to determine the skeletal age of this individual.

The first film was an anteroposterior view of the chest and shoulders and included most of both humeri. The spine was intact. The ribs were intact. Both clavicles were visible. There was no evidence of a medial clavicular epiphysis. Most of both scapulae could be seen. The proximal humerus epiphyses were not fused. A distinct epiphyseal plate was visible in both. None of the anular epiphyses of the vertebral column appeared to be fused.

A film of the pelvis showed considerable rotation. Portions of both forearms and hands were visible. Technical detail of the latter was good, while the pelvis was underpenetrated. The distal epiphyses of the right radius was well defined. It was not fused, and there was a distinct epiphyseal plate.

The distal portion of the left radius was also well defined and also showed no fusion. In the pelvis, only the anterior portions of the iliac crest epiphyses were well visualized. These showed a distinct epiphyseal plate and appeared not to be fused. The proximal ends of the femurs were barely visible and could not be evaluated. Two of the left metacarpals were quite well demonstrated. Both appeared to have completely fused epiphyses.

Film of the knees showed a well defined epiphyseal plate in the distal femurs. Fusion, if any, was very early. The proximal tibial epiphyses were less well visualized, but there were cortical defects at the margins of the epiphyseal plates and these appeared not to be fused. The fibulae were not well visualized.

The fourth X-ray showed the feet and ankles in the dorsal plantar view. The distal ends of the long bones of the legs were not well visualized. The metatarsal epiphyses all appeared to be completely fused. The epiphyseal lines were present in several of the proximal phalanges. They were most clearly defined in the proximal phalanges of the great toes, particularly at the proximal ends. These appeared to be unfused or only partially fused, as there was some suggestion of cortical defect at the margins of the epiphyseal plates.

Based upon the X-ray criteria, the age was estimated to be approximately 15 to 18 years.

#### DENTAL EXAMINATION

Utilizing the Universal System, all of the third molars are partially erupted. The upper left central, number 9, and the upper left lateral, number 10, are avulsed. The upper right second bicuspid, number 4, has undergone a 180 degree The buccal and lingual cusps are reversed. Number 22 is in mesial labial rotation. Number 25 is in lingual version, blocked out by tooth 24 and 26. Number 26 is in mesial labial rotation and number 27 is in mesial labial rotation. Jaw relationships are normal. The peridontal condition is average. Caries are noted as follows: the upper right second molar, number 2, has distal and occlusal pit caries. The upper right first molar, number 3, has distal and occlusal pit caries. There is occlusal caries on the upper left first bicuspid, number 12, on the upper left second bicuspid, number 13, on the occlusal and distal occlusal pits on the upper left first molar, which is tooth 14. Caries is present on the occlusal and distal pits on the upper left second molar, which is tooth 15, on the lower left second molar, occlusal caries, which is tooth 18. On the occlusal on the lower left second bicuspid, which is tooth 20, occlusal caries, on the lower right first bicuspid, which is tooth 28, and on the lower right second bicuspid, which is tooth 29, and an occlusal caries on the lower right second molar, which is tooth 31.

Paul G. Stimson, D.D.S., M.S.

#### INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT

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View	WILLJAM RAY LAWRENCE RaceW SexM Age 15
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Address:	
	FOUND 8-9-73 Approx. Time 8:00PM A.M. P.M.
Place of Death:23	miles South of Broaddus, Texas off FM-3185, St. Augustine County
Place of Inquest:	
Date and Time of	Inquest: A.M. P.M.
Location Position	, and Surroundings of Body: SEE BELOW
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Clothing:_NAKEI	)- Face up in grave
Information: St.	Augustine County Dep. Sheriff RICHARD DAVIS furnished the
	nfo. on 8-11-73 at 7286.
St_Aı	ugustine County Sheriff JOHN HOYT, Box 61, St. Augustine, Texas, i to a gravesite near the above location by WAYNE HENLEY(suspect
in the shows	e case) on 8-9-73 about 8:00PM. HENLEY identified the gravesite
as being at	a point where 4 sticks were crossed on the ground. Beneath the
crossed stic	cks was a thin layer of earth beneath which there was a plyboard.
Beneath the	plyboard was a hole in the ground into which had been placed similar to lime, along with a plastic covering, securely taped,
aentaining !	the body of the decedent. The decedent's body had been rolled
in the place	tic covering, but none of the lime substance was within the
-lastin com	ering A cord tied in a hangman's noose was around the neck of
the deceden	t. His ankles were bound together with silver colored ** air
conditioning	g tape. His wrists were taped behing his back with similar tape. as about 18"-19" in depth and there were two cinderblocks in the
grave.	as about 10 -19 In depth and there were the critical
Photos	were taken at the scene by D.P.S., Austin.
An aut	onsy was performed at the Wyman Roberts FH. St. Augustine, Texas
on-8-10-73-1	by Dr. JACK PRUITT of Lufkin, Texas. DX: STRANGULATION.
DEP. DA	AVIS SAID THAT HENLEY MADE THE STATEMENT THAT ONE OF THE "UNKNOWN
#20 #21 OP	#22 COULD BE A BOY NAMED "GARCIA."
The cord for	und around the decedent's NEWE neck was tagged at 7286 under the name WILLIAM RAY LAWRENCE.
Tropers,	

Transferred to Morgue by: SUBSEQUENT TO THE AUTOPSY IN ST. AUGUSTINE THE BODY OF THE DECEDENT WAS RELEASED BY ST. AUGUSTINE COUNTY AUTHORITIES TO FOREST PARK FH. Funeral Home Conducting Service: Forest Park FH.

PRUITT MEDICAL LABORATORIES

P. O. BOX 160 LUFKIN, TEXAS 75901

AUTOPSY REPORT

(Series No. 20) (Not IN 140 SERIES)

(Series No. 20) ("Name: Body No. 1, identified as William Ray Lawrence
Date of Autopsy: August 10, 1973, 12:30 p.m.
Place of Autopsy: Wyman Roberts Funeral Home, San Augustine, Texas
Authority: San Augustine County, Texas Justice of the Peace C. A. Renfroe #1
Autopsy Prosector: Jack Pruitt, M. D.

CIRCUMSTANCES: Body found buried near Broaddus, Texas, on the afternoon of Thursday August 9, 1973.

GROSS EXAMINATION: The unclothed body is fully wrapped in a thick transparent plastic sheet and tied with several lengths of thick cord resembling venetian blind cord about 1/8 inch in diameter. The body is that of a slender white adolescent male 68 inches in length, the weight not estimated. The scalp hair is light brown and straight, about shoulder length, 12 - 15 inches. The wrists are secured behind the body with fabric adhesive tape. The legs are similarly taped together just above the ankles. A noose of thick cord like that described around the original plastic wrapping is secured around the neck, typical of a "hangman's noose", with a loose end 12 inches long extending down the back. The tissues of the neck are compressed, and indicate that this was applied tightly before death.

The skim is essentially intact over the entire body, although very slippery and having advanced postmortem decomposition, and there is no evidence of any penetrating wound. The outer skin surfaces over the fingers and toes have sloughed away, and make fingerprint identification impossible, according to two Texas Department of Public Safety Investigators present at the scene. The facial features can be recognized, although the nose has advanced decomposition, the bones intact, no recognizable evidence of trauma. Two teeth are out of their sockets, numbers 1 and 8 as indicated on the accompanying dental chart, postmortem in character, apparently all 32 teeth having erupted and having no evidence of decay or filling (see dental chart for description). The penis, scrotum and anus are intact, without evidence of mutilation, the pubic hair intact and recognizable.

The heart, lungs, and abdominal organs are shrunken and pasty, virtually unrecognizable, but without evidence of severe antemortem trauma.

According to information supplied by the father and the dentist, as well as a photograph published in the Houston Post, this body was identified as that of William Ray Lawrence, 15-year-old white boy. The condition of the body is consistent with a postmortem interval of approximately one month.

MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATION: Microscopic examination of the solid organs is of no value because of the severe postmortem decomposition of the tissues.

PATHOLOGIC DIAGNOSIS AND CAUSE OF DEATH: Death by strangulation, postmortem interval c. about one month.

Original to Judge Renfroe Xerox copy to Sheriff Hoyt Xerox copy retained for files Jack Pruitt, M. D., Diplomate of the American Board of Pathology

Case #1 Saw augustine 8-10-73 (Solut as Williams Ray Lawrence)

all tith apparently in, but #1 out part morten, foun in phayed, no trauma; #8 out post mortum, not found, no bauma - socket smooth, resembles # 9. #9 (left upper medial incison) larger + more prominent than others, small "clip" merial tip, which if with absent & would form a notate.

No recognized cavities, no fellings.

Other characteristics for identification:

- 1. Thight 5'9", Shader, weight not estimated.
  2. Long straight brown hair, about shoulder length,
  est. 12-15 inches in longest portion.
  3. Eyes apparently blue, but marked part mortem decomposition
- 4. Stations recentle photo Houston Post Sum. 8-12-73

Return X-ray

W.L. George, D.D.S. 1920 Ashland Houston, Tex 77008

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I referred this patient over to Dr. B. J. Kurnik. I doubt if he ever went to his office, because, I rever received any follow-up Krays from his office concerning endodontic treatment.

Received by

DATE





# OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER OF HARRIS COUNTY JOSEPH A. JACHIMCZYK FORENSIC CENTER 1885 OLD SPANISH TRAIL HOUSTON, TEXAS 77054

January 17, 1995

Texas Department of Public Safety Crime Laboratory Danny Carter, Latent Prints P. O. Box 4143 Austin, Texas 78765

Reference: 1973 Mass Murders; ML#73-3378

Unknown white male

Attached is the single print obtained from the unknown white male that I spoke with you about this date. This is the only print we were able to obtain so after your search could you please return it to us.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Pat Banks Investigator

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	Advise if subject is deceased.
	Furnish final disposition.
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	Apparently mailed to us by mistake.
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	There is no indication the enclosed cards and/or correspondence have been processed through your state
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	Enclosed card may have been submitted by your office. Please list contributor, and return to FBI. If
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	A copy of each record is attached.
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The enclosed fingerprints and/or correspondence are being returned to you because of the reason(s)

After making appropriate changes and/or additions, please resubmit. Your cooperation is appreciated.

	E DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH VITAL STATISTICS		BURI	BURIAL-TRANSIT PERMIT		NUMBER		
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AUTHORIZA- TION TO DISPOSE OF BODY	A certificate of death having been filed as required by the laws of Texas and all laws and regulations governing the preparation and disposal of dead bodies having been complied with, permission is hereby given to dispose of the body as identified above.							
	Signature of local registrar			Pulcined the Mininguistre Sinder S-11-73				
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## WILLIAM RAY LAWRENCE

#### SAN AUGUSTINE

- (1) AUTOPSY NOT DONE BY DR. JOE, BECAUSE HE NEVER RECEIVED BODY
- (2) KNOWN DENTAL X-RAY OF LAWRENCE BY DR. W. L. GEORGE
- (3) GOT PHOTOGRAPHS OF BODY
- (4) COMPARED X-RAY OF TEETH TO PHOTO OF DENTAL WORK
- (5) THIS COMPARISON MATCHES

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PRIOR EXHIBIT NOS.		MATE				
#81 #83 #25 #84	DR. TRUIT	- X-RAYS OF TEETH BY DR. GEORGE PHOTO OF BILLY LAWRENCE (DEAD) POLOROID PHOTO OF BILLY LAWRENCE NEWS PHOTO OF BILLY LAWRENCE				

### WILLIAM RAY LAWRENCE

(1) NO X-RAY EQUIPMENT

#### EXTERNAL XAM -

- (1) SKIN SLIPPAGE
- (2) FEATURES OF BODY WELL PRESERVED
- (3) PLASTIC SHEET AROUND BODY
- (4) CORD AROUND NECK WITH SLIP KNOT LIKE HANGMAN'S NOOSE IT WAS VERY TIGHT - KNOT ON BACK 1' OF CORD HUNG DOWN
- (5) DEEP GROOVE IN NECK UNDER CORD
- (6) BLOOD (HEMORRHAGE) IN TISSUES UNDER CORD
- (7) APPEARED STRANGULATION BEFORE DEATH CHOKING WITH CORD WILL CAUSE HEMORIHAGE
- (8) ADHESIVE TAPE AROUND WRISTS, BEHIND
- (9) ADHESIVE TAPE AROUND ANKLES
- (10) FACE RECOGNIZABLE THOUGH NOSE DECOMPOSED
- (11) TEETH PRESENT EXCEPT TWO (2) RIGHT #1 OR # 8
  1ST UPPER MOLAR & BACK WISDOM FOUND IN MOUTH FELL OUT OF
  SOCKET AFTER DEATH
  SEE PG. 0763

#### INTERNAL XAM -

- (1) 5'8" TALL
- (2) VISUAL EXAM (DIDN'T WEIGH) 125 140 LBS.
- (3) 14-16 YR. OLD W/M
- (4) LIGHT TAN OR LIGHT BROWN HAIR 12" 15" LONG
- (5) SHOW PHOTO OF LAWRENCE & DR. WILL I.D.
- (6) COMPARED DR. JOE'S X-RAYS OF TEETH TO PHOTO OF TEETH
- (7) HE HAD BEEN SUPPLIED A PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF BILLY MATCHED & HAD ALL TEETH
- (8) NO CAVITIES OR FILLINGS-TWO FRONT TEETH WERE MODERATELY PROMINENT, LARGER THAN OTHERS; NOTCHING EFFECT OF THESE 2 TEETH IN DESCRIPTION & BODY
- (9) BLUE-EYES DESCRIPTION & BODY
- (10) NO FILLINGS IN TEETH OF BODY EXAMINED & NO CAVITIES
- (11) DESCRIPTION HE HAD BEEN GIVEN INCLUDED PROMINENT FRONT TEETH & THIS MATCHED
- (12) PHOTO OF BILLY SAME & SHOWS NOTCHING IN TEETH
- (13) NOTCHING SHOWS IN X-RAY

- (14) BASED ON VISUAL XAM HEIGHT, COLOR EYES, COLOR & LENGTH OF HAIR, WEIGHT & PHOTOS HIS OPINION BILLY LAWRENCE
- (15) CAUSE OF DEATH STRANGULATION
- (16) DID AUTOPSY AUGUST 10, 1973 BODY DEAD APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH

Comp. cases 73-3376 + 13-3377 HAIR Daul In From 36 / Jungupunt

PRINTS TO HPD

PRINTS TO HCSO 10.74 NO POLICE AGENCY CAN BODY BE VIEWED ☐ YES ☐ NO CASE NUMBER PRINTS TO DPS 1-17-95 SCARS: PRINTS TO FBI TATTOOS: REL'ATION: IDENTIFIED BY: NEXT OF KIN DENTAL: DONE PERSONAL EFFECTS: \_HCSO ID # PHONE #: PHONE #: CLOTHING: